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To: All Interested Parties

**Subject: SHORE POWER WORKGROUP MEETING TO DISCUSS STAFF'S
MODIFIED LANGUAGE TO THE AT-BERTH OCEAN-GOING VESSELS
REGULATION APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON DECEMBER 6, 2007**

Dear Interested Parties:

The California Air Resources Board (ARB/Board) staff invites you to participate in a Shore Power workgroup meeting to discuss staff's proposed modified language to the recently approved regulation for reducing emissions from diesel auxiliary engines on ocean-going vessels while at-berth at a California port.

At its public hearing on December 6, 2007, the Board approved the adoption of a regulation to reduce emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) and diesel particulate matter (diesel PM) from diesel-fueled auxiliary engines used aboard ocean-going ships while docked or at-berth at a California port. The regulation was approved with modifications that were suggested by staff at the Board hearing. The suggested modifications to the original proposed regulation were in response to comments staff received since the Initial Statement of Reasons was published on October 19, 2007. In addition, the Board directed staff to make other modifications to the regulation.

The modified language to staff's original proposed regulation will be available for a written 15-day comment period. Before this period begins, staff would like to discuss draft modified language with affected industry, the ports, and other interested stakeholders.

The workgroup meeting will be held at the following time and location:

Date: Friday, February 22, 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Location: Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
Byron Sher Auditorium
1001 I Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

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The original proposed regulation as released on October 19, 2007; staff's suggested modifications as presented at the December 6, 2007 hearing; and other related documents can be found at the rulemaking webpage for this Board item at:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/regact/2007/shorepwr07/shorepwr07.htm>

The agenda, presentation and draft modified regulatory language will be available prior to the February meeting at the following website address:

<http://www.arb.ca.gov/ports/shorepower/shorepower.htm>

For those unable to attend in person, the February meeting will be webcast. Interested parties can monitor the meeting and submit comments or questions via e-mail by accessing ARB's Webcasting Calendar at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast>.

If you have a disability-related accommodation need, please go to <http://www.arb.ca.gov/html/ada/ada.htm> for assistance or contact the Disability Coordinator at (916) 323-4916. If you are a person who needs assistance in a language other than English, please go to <http://www.arb.ca.gov/as/eeo/languageaccess.htm> or contact the Bilingual Coordinator at (916) 323-7053 as soon as possible.

We welcome and appreciate your participation in this workgroup meeting. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please contact Mr. Michael Waugh, Manager, Program Assistance Section, at (916) 445-6018, or via email at mwaugh@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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